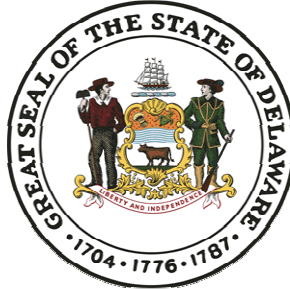


State of Delaware



**Executive Department
Dover**

**MODIFICATION OF DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY
FOR THE STATE OF DELAWARE
DUE TO A SEVERE WINTER STORM**

WHEREAS, the entire State of Delaware has been subject to significant and record-breaking snowfall for the past 36 hours, and high winds and freezing temperatures continue, creating dangerous conditions; and

WHEREAS, the intensity and duration of the snowfall has kept snowplowing activities limited to major highway routes only, leaving secondary, subdivision and back roads unaddressed; and

WHEREAS, road conditions in Kent County and Sussex County remain particularly treacherous, and emergency officials in those counties continue to urge motorists to stay off the roads unless travel is absolutely necessary to seek shelter; and

WHEREAS, thousands of homes and businesses are without power, and likely will continue to be for some time; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, JACK A. MARKELL, pursuant to Title 20, Chapter 31 of the

Delaware Code, do hereby declare that the State of Emergency declared for the entire State of Delaware on February 10, 2010 at 12:01 a.m. E.S.T. continues to be in effect until further notice, with the following modifications:

1. Effective February 11, 2010 at noon E.S.T., the travel restriction for operating motor vehicles on the roads of New Castle County is lifted. The travel restriction for operating motor vehicles on the roads of Kent County and Sussex County remains in effect until further notice and motorists should not travel unless otherwise authorized or unless necessary to do so to seek shelter. The lifting of the restriction in New Castle County is intended to allow critical commercial activities and travel on major routes as they become passable.
2. While this formal travel restriction is lifted, motorists, other than authorized personnel responding in emergency situations, are strongly advised to avoid operating motor vehicles on roads in Delaware.
3. State and local officials are authorized to continue to remove abandoned vehicles from roads in affected areas at the expense of the vehicle owner.
4. Private sector businesses are strongly urged to consider the safety of their employees and the inadvisability of travel when deciding whether to resume operating.
5. Except as otherwise stated above, the February 10, 2010 emergency declaration remains in effect, and I continue to reserve the right to take or direct state or local authorities to take, without issuance of further written order, any other necessary actions authorized by Title 20, Chapter 31 of the Delaware Code to respond to this emergency.

APPROVED this 11th day of February, 2010, at noon EST

Jack Markell

Governor